

Amendment

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the last paragraph on page 5 and the first paragraph on page 6 to read as follows:

Fig. 2 shows actuation of the conveying system 10 into a second state according to one embodiment. The second state is initiated when the controller 24 determines the package 12 is not in the desired lateral position, which may be a centered position. In this embodiment the actuator 26 may be configured to move the output end 28 of the conveyor 14 laterally in the direction of arrow B and linearly along an axis 36, while the input end of the conveyor 14 remains stationary as shown. The output end 28 could also be moved in a direction opposite arrow B if needed. The input end 30 of conveyor 18 ~~may also pivot about point 38~~ remains stationary. Thus, the package 12 rotatably slides relative to the belts 16 and is moved to a desired position, which may be a centered position, on the belts 19 of conveyor 18.

Fig. 3 shows actuation of the conveying system 10 into a second state according to another embodiment. In this embodiment the actuator 26 may be configured to move the output end 28 of the conveyor 14 laterally in the direction of arrow B and pivoting around pivot point 38, while the input end of conveyor 14 also pivots about point 38 as shown. The output end 28 could also be moved in a direction opposite arrow B if needed. The input end 30 of conveyor 18 remains stationary. Thus, the package 12 ~~rotatably slides relative to the belts 16 and~~ is moved to a desired position, which may be a centered position, on the belts 19 of conveyor 18.